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METHOD OF AND APPARATUS FOR POWER CONTROL

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Box Non-Fee Amendment

April 27, 2001

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please enter the following amendments to the claims prior to the examination of the application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows: (A copy of a marked up version with markings to show changes made is attached.)

- 5. (Amended) A method according to Claim 1, wherein the time interval is a time slot.
- 6. (Amended) A method accord to Claim 1, wherein the communications system is a spread spectrum communications system.

REMARKS

Entry of the amendments to the claims before examination of the application is respectfully requested. These claims have been amended to remove multiple dependencies.

If there are any questions regarding this Preliminary Amendment or this application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated since this should expedite the prosecution of the application for all concerned.

It is respectfully requested that, if necessary to effect a timely response, this paper be considered as a Petition for an Extension of Time sufficient to effect a timely response and shortages in other fees, be charged, or any overpayment in fees be credited, to the Account of Evenson, McKeown, Edwards & Lenahan, P.L.L.C., Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #3036/49866).

Respectfully submitted,

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

- 5. (Amended) A method according to [any of Claims 1 to 4,]

 Claim 1, wherein the time interval is a time slot.
- 6. (Amended) A method accord to [any one of Claims 1 to 5,] Claim 1, wherein the communications system is a spread spectrum communications system.